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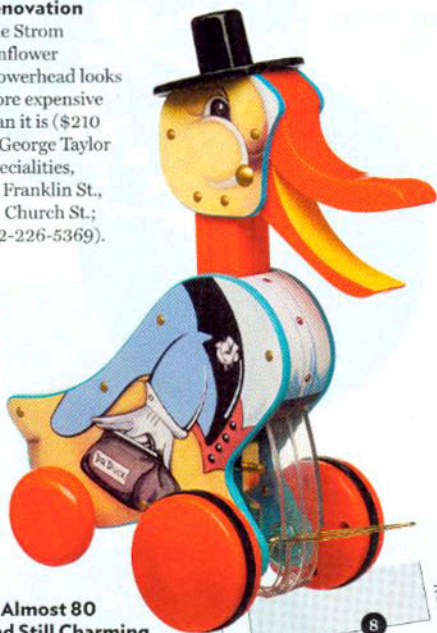


# Found on Franklin Street

The high-low shopfronts of Tribeca's best retail drag.

## 1. Insta-Bathroom Renovation

The Strom sunflower showerhead looks more expensive than it is (\$210 at George Taylor Specialties, 76 Franklin St., nr. Church St.; 212-226-5369).



## 5. Almost 80 and Still Charming

This reissue of the 76-year-old Dr. Duck toy is perfect for purists (\$28 at Collector's Toy Den, 85 Franklin St., nr. Church St.; 212-334-0409).



## 6. The Grape's Many Uses

Exfoliate with grapeseed-extract potions at Delluva Viotherapy Spa; facials include complimentary wine (from \$65; 152 Franklin St., nr. Hudson St.; 212-937-7757).



## 8. For the Bedside Table

Moulin Bleu's all-French furnishings inventory includes this burnished wood frame from Bordeaux (\$65; 176 Franklin St., nr. Hudson St.; 212-334-1130).

## 2. Heavenly Metal

Designer José Esteves's new ironwork Eclipse Maker table lamp is now at furnishings boutique Intérieurs Design Studio (\$1,600; 149 Franklin St., nr. Hudson St.; 212-343-0800).



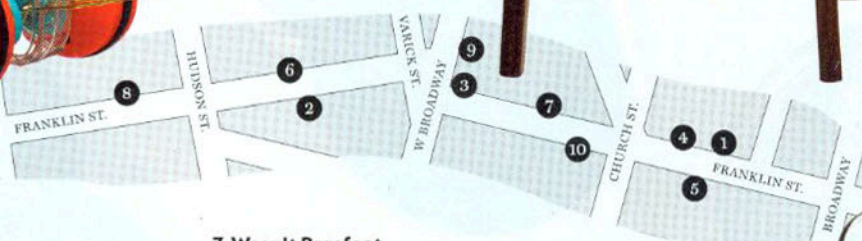
## 3. So You Can See the Label

The shop at the Vinovino wine bar sells Victorian-era wine openers with a brush for dusting (\$19.99, 211 West Broadway, nr. Franklin St.; 212-925-8510).



## 4. A Chair No One Else Will Have

Swedish designers Claesson Koivisto Rune's Lapel seat gives your table an original look (from \$895 at Dune, 88 Franklin St., nr. Church St.; 212-925-6171).



## 7. Wear It Barefoot

This hippish girl's skirt from children's store Bu & the Duck is made, fittingly, of patchwork (\$130; 106 Franklin St., nr. Church St.; 212-431-9226).



## 9. A More Interesting Salt-and-Pepper System

The tiny spoons are included with these low-cost glass dishes at the new Tribbles Home and Garden (\$25; 217 West Broadway, nr. Franklin St.; 212-965-8480).



## 10. Easy, Breezy

The baby-doll halter dress—lightweight and forgivingly cut—is a spring staple (\$195 at Steven Alan, 103 Franklin St., nr. Church St.; 212-343-0692).

